

OFF THE AIR



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From the President

Hello everyone.

We had one test for the Tech at the last meeting. He passed and joined the club.

We talked about the Christmas Party so if you have any Suggestions, Please contact Nick -K9NQW, Bob – AD9AW or Charlie – KA9HDG.

The club would like to start Technician Classes soon.

We love our new home at the EMA Building on Garthwaite Road. You need to come see us there.

We need volunteers for the committee for elections, Christmas time and please contact me, Mitch Miller or my email at mitchmiller55@gamil.com

Thanks your Club President Mitch Miller - W9DDX GCARC

Grant County ARC Nets

What: 2 Meter Net When: Every Sunday Evening Time: 2030 hrs Local Time Freq: 146.790- (PL 141.3) Alternate Freq. 147.195+ (PL 141.3)

What: DMR Net – Indiana Crossroads Net When: Every Monday Night Time: 2000 hrs Local Time Freq: 442.750+ (Color Code 1)

What: Dstar Net – Indiana Statewide Dstar Net When: Every Thursday Evening Time: 2000 hrs Local Time Freq: 443.400+ {(W9EBN) (Reflector 24b)}



The American Radio Relay League 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111 or phone (860)594-0200 or fax (860)594-0303



Notes from the Editor

Well another FlyIn/CruiseIn Special Event Station is in the history books. I want to thank everyone that participated this year. We went out to the airport on Friday night (09-02-22) at about 5:00 PM and set up the antennas, the canopy, and tables. Then on Saturday (09-03-22) we met at the site and started operating at about 8:00 AM. We had several people stop by to see what we were doing and hopefully this will peak interest in the hobby. Here Is the breakdown on the contacts we made: We had a total of 42 Contacts: Scott – K6SJO made 21 contacts on 14.250 Mhz, Nick - K9NQW made a total of 21 contacts on DMR and Dstar with 20 contacts on DMR and 1 contact on Dstar. Scott – KC9RAX brought his portable 2 Meter unit with him and monitored the 146.790 repeater.

Since the club has been meeting at the EMA building on Garthwaite Rd. in Gas City, We have had a lot more people showing up for the meetings. Things that are still in the planning stages is to get a tower and radios set up in this location so that we can operate in conjunction with the EMA for any emergencies that might happen in Grant County.

Looking ahead to the end of the year. The club has several things going on. The Christmas Party in December. If you have any subjections for the Christmas party get in contact with Bob McFarland at profbob9949@gmail.com or Charles Rodecap at millwrightmonkey@yahoo.com or Nick at k9nqw@yahoo.com.

The Indiana Section ARES Simulated Emergency Test (SET) for this year is scheduled for Saturday November 12th at 8:00 AM EST. More information will follow as soon as we have it.

One last thing to be thinking about is the voting of the Club's Officers. Voting takes place in December at the annual Christmas party. More information will follow in the next couple of months

L. B. Nickerson – K9NQW Editor.





October 2022 Grant County Amateur Radio Club

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NOTE: Meeting place has been moved from 9th Street Cafe to the EMA Office at 3921 S Garthwaite Rd, Gas City, IN



Grant County Emergency Management Agency

302 So. Washington St Marion, IN. 46953 Office: 765-651-2410 Fax: 765-668-4228



Grant County EMA Field Support Team

Indiana Department of Homeland Security

Community Emergency Response Team

Grant County Emergency Management is looking for Volunteers to serve on the Field Support Team of Grant County EMA/DHS

Some of the services the Field Support Team provide are.

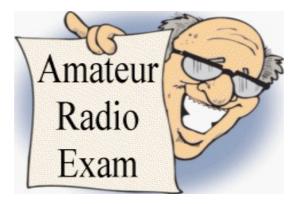
- Assisting first responders at emergency incidents in Grant County.
- · Providing Traffic control for utility and road work.
- Severe weather spotter training.
- Damage assessment after severe weather.
- · Assisting at community events to keep the public safe.
- Provide mutual aid to surrounding counties when requested.
- Support the Emergency Operations Center when activated.

If you are looking for a way to give back to the community and have a desire to help keep people safe this could be an opportunity for you.

Grant County EMA is a division of Indiana Department of Homeland Security and is responsible for preparing the community for any natural or manmade disaster. There are many opportunities for individuals with different abilities and experience to assist with the stated goals of EMA/DHS in Grant County. Training and equipment will be provided to you for this important task and opportunity to help the community.

Please Contact the Grant County EMA office at 765-651-2410 or email Director Bob Jackson at <u>bjackson@grantcounty.net</u> if you are interested in applying for a position with Grant County EMA/DHS.

Robert W. Jackson Director, Grant County EMA/DHS



10/03/22

Sponsor: Whitley County ARC Time: 8:00 PM (No Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Roger L. McEntarfer (260) 503-9008 Email: n9qcl@arrl.net VEC: W5YI VEC Location: On Line 717 E 400 N Columbia City, IN 46725-8612 Register or Call Ahead

10/08/2022

Sponsor: ARRL Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Michael Elder (765) 570-0381 Email: wj9e42@yahoo.com VEC: ARRL/VEC Location: Rushville Public Library 130 West 3rd Street Rushville, IN 46173-1846

10/17/2022

Sponsor: Whitley County ARC Time: 8:00 PM (No Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Roger L. McEntarfer (260) 503-9008 Email: n9qcl@arrl.net VEC: W5YI VEC Location: On Line 717 E 400 N Columbia City, IN 46725-8612 Register or Call Ahead

10/08/2022

Sponsor: Indianapolis RC Time: 12:00 PM (No Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: James K. Rinehart (317) 721-1458 Email: k9ru@arrl.net VEC: ARRL/VEC Location: Salvation Army EDS Training Facility 4020 Georgetown Road Indianapolis, IN 46254-2407 Register or Call Ahead

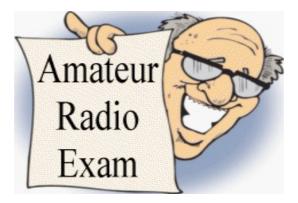
10/15/2022

Sponsor: Central Indiana ARA Time: 10:30 AM (No Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Joe March (317) 224-9433 Email: jamrch54@att.net VEC: ARRL/VEC Location: Hamilton Cnty Emergency Ops Center – Sheriff's Campus Training Room 18100 Cumberland Road Noblesville, IN 46060-1624

10/18/22

Sponsor: Anderson Repeater Club Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Stephen M. Riley (765) 425-4627 Email: wa9cwe@arrl.net VEC: ARRL/VEC Location: Madison County EOC 200 Delaware Street Anderson, IN 46016-2238

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, please verify with your VE team that the exam session is being held.



10/24/22

Sponsor: Marshall County ARC Time: 8:00 PM (Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Richard J Basham (574) 216-6080 Email: rjbasham@yahoo.com VEC: W5YI VEC Location: Cornerstone Church of Argos 11525 State Road 10 Argos, IN 46501-9519

10/25/22

Sponsor: Grant County ARC Time: 5:00 PM (NO Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Mitch Miller (765) 661-5893 Email: mitchmiller55@yahoo.com VEC: ARRL/VEC Location: EMA Building 3921 S Garthwaite Rd Gas City, IN 46933 Call Ahead

10/29/22

Sponsor: Whitley County ARC Time: 8:00 PM (No Walk-ins Allowed) Contact: Roger L McEntarfer (260) 503-9008 Email: n9qcl@arrl.net VEC: W5YI VEC Location: On Line 717 E 400 N Columbia City, IN 46725-8613 Register or Call Ahead

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Hoosier Hills Hamfest

Start Date: 10/08/2022 End Date: 10/08/2022 Location: Lawrence County 4-H Fairgounds 11265 US Highway 50 West Mitchell, IN 47446 Website: http://www.w9qyq.org/pdf/ hamfest2022.pdf Sponsor: Hoosier Hills Ham Club Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-IN: 146.73- PL/107.2 Public Contact: Tim Wray, KB9SNL PO Box 891 Bedford, IN 47421 Phone: (812) 675-6733 Email: hamfest@w9qyq.org

BRAVARS Shelbyville Tailgate

Start Date: 10/15/2022 End Date: 10/15/2022 Location: Shelby County Fairgrounds 500 Frank Street Shelbyville, IN 46176 Website: http://www.bravars.com Sponsor: Blue River Valley Amateur Radio Society Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-IN: 145.48 MHz 88.5 Hz Public Contact: John Walker, K9SVL 302 W Hendricks St Shelbyville, IN 46176 Phone: 317-402-500 Email: inprinter@att.net





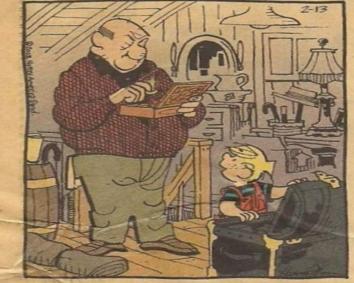




Hamtober Fest

Start Date: 10/15/2022 End Date: 10/15/2022 Location: Lynnville Community Center 416 West RD 68, IN-68 Lynnville, IN 47619 Website: http://www.hamtoberfest.com Sponsor: Tri State Amateur Radio Society Type: ARRL Hamfest Talk-IN: None Public Contact: Dennis Martin, WA9USA 5577 Victoria Ct Newburgh, IN 47630 Phone: (812) 598-8333 Email: wa2usa.ham@gmail.com

DENNIS THE MENACE / By Hank Ketcham



You old hams have more junk in the trunk than the girls in rap videos on TV!



Contesting



October 2022 Date: 17-21 15-16

School Club Roundup EME – 50 to 1296 MHz

ARRL.org webpage

Also for other contest that are available go to the above webpage and look under Contest Corral.

Special Event Stations

<u>Date</u> 10/01	<u>Name of Special Event</u> Gist Settlement Commeorative Special Event	<u>Webpage</u> highlanderara@gmail.com	
10/01 to 10/09	Spoon River Valley Scenic Drive	www.w9uvi.org	
10/02 to 10/16	Fort Massac Encampment	https://w9ue.org	
10/02 to 10/08	National Royal Rangers Week	wjbarnes@cinergymetro.net	
10/09 to 10/23	Illinios QSO Party Special Event	www.yorkradioclub.org	
10/30 to 11/13	47 th Anniversary, Sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald	https://livoniaarc.com	



Grant County Amateur Radio Club

Membership Application 2022

Please complete this form and return it with your dues. Make all checks or money orders payable to **GCARC**. Send the printed form with your dues to the Treasurer at the address below. You may also return this application at one of the club's meetings. Please either mail or bring this application and dues to the next meeting.

Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at EMA Office located at 3921 South Garthwaite Road, Gas City, IN. Directions: From Gas City: Take Main Street to 10th Street, Go North about 3 miles. Located on east side by the County Highway Dept. From Marion: Take 38th Street East to Garthwaite Road, Turn right. Go South about 2 miles. Located on east side by the County Highway Dept.

Mailing Address:

Grant County Amateur	Radio Club	
P O Box 1786		
Marion, IN 46952		
Name:		
Call Sign:		
Address:		
Street Address	or Post Office Box	
Street Ad	dress Line 2	
City:	State:	ZipCode:
Phone Number: ()	
Email:		
Current ARRL Member	? Yes No	
Dues:		
 Full Annual Mer 	nbership: \$20.00 per person.	
-		\$5.00 per person, maximum of \$30.00 per household
 Associate Memb 	ership: \$10.00 per person. Limita	ations on Associate Membership:
	 No voting privileges Cannot hold Office 	
• Partial-Year Me		reduced to ½ the normal rate for Full or Associate
Membership.	moersmp. Aner July 1 dues are i	reduced to 72 the normal rate for Full of Associate
Please make sure you sid	in the form	

Please make sure you sign the form.

Signature: ____

I agree to abide by and support the Constitution and ByLaws of the Grant County Amateur Radio Club. NOTE: Please fill out a seperate form for each family member.

Pictures from the Special Event Station FlyIn/CruiseIn September 3rd, 2022

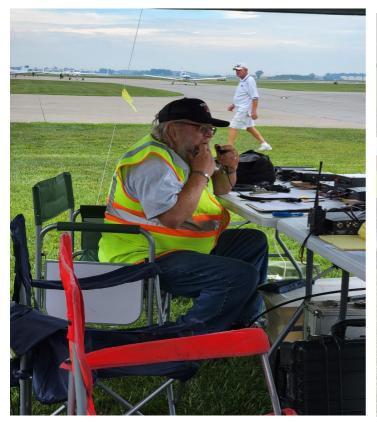


Grant County Amateur Radio Club's setup



A couple of pictures of the operations and a display about Amateur Radio. We had several people stop by and asked about Amateur Radio.

Pictures from the Special Event Station FlyIn/CruiseIn September 3rd, 2022





Scott – K6SJO operating on 20 Meters



Nick – K9NQW operating DMR and D-Star radios

A look at our antenna field



Charlies – KA9HDG in foreground Scott – KC9RAX in background

Ham Radio Trader

This is a new section of the newsletter. Items on this page are for sale by hams. The following rules will apply for items to be listed on this page.

1. All items must be Amateur Radio related:

Example: Ham radio gear and computer items.

2. Ads must be submitted by the 15th of the month for the following month. **Example:** For the January Newsletter must be submitted by December 15th.

Items must include the following:

Item description, picture of item in jpg form, selling price, email of seller.

You can send your ad to k9nqw@yahoo.net

Yaesu vx-7r

Tri Band, 50/144/440 MHz

- I have original box
- Radio
- Battery
- Charging base and wall wart
- Speaker mic
- Programming cable for software that is available online
- Operating Manual

Everything works as it should Ebay pricing ranges from \$299=\$330



Asking \$150 Ed – N9GTL 765-661-1067

Ham Radio Trader

CS-700

- Includes existing code plug for local area (Grant County, IN) •
- Extra battery
- Speaker mic
- •
- Programming cable Charger base with wall wart •

Software is available from connectsystems.com

Works as it should



Asking \$85 Ed - N9GTL 765-661-1067

Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale Mike Kasrich – AJ9C

aj9c@indy.rr.com

The following equipment is up for sale. Will accept PayPal, cash, MO, or personal check. Shipping is available for additional cost. For more information on any of the listed items please email me at aj9c@indy.rr.com. Prices are listed below the pictures.



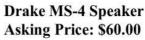


Remote Antenna TunerRemote Antenna Tuner Picture 2I purchased this to make a remote antenna tuner. There is a vacuum variable capacitor with a motor
and a ribbon inductor with the motor. The unit is complete. Asking Price: \$125.00



Alliance HD-73 Rotor with Control Box Asking Price: \$150.00 Shipping Extra





If interested in any of the above items please email me at aj9c@indy.rr.com

Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale Mike Kasrich – AJ9C <u>aj9c@indy.rr.com</u>





Pelican Case 1550 Interior: 18.6" × 14.2" × 7.7" Exterior (L×W×D) 20.66 x 17.20 x 8.40 in

- 2 level Pick N Pluck[™] with convoluted lid foam
- Watertight, crushproof, and dustproof
- Open cell core with solid wall design strong, light weight
- Comfortable rubber over-molded handle
- Easy open Double Throw latches
- Stainless steel hardware and padlock protectors

Asking Price: \$50.00



Acom 2000A Auto Tune Amplifier

- Covers 160 10 Meters
- Older style controller
- Tubes have been replaced
- Works fine and is in service

Asking Price: \$3500.00 (2 x 4CX800 tubes)

If interested in any of the above items please email me at aj9c@indy.rr.com

Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale Mike Kasrich – AJ9C <u>aj9c@indy.rr.com</u>



Harris RF 6m AM Decks and Power Supplies Output: 700 – 1000 Watts Input: 6 – 10 Watts Includes 2 Decks and 3 Supplies DPDT relay and sequencer Asking Price: \$1000.00





INRAD 2.1 kHz filter for R4C Asking Price: \$75.00

INRAD 6 kHz AM filter for R4C Asking Price: \$75.00

Various crystals for add on bands for the Drake 4 Lines.



Have the following Crystals:

- 160m
- 30m
- 15Mhz
- 27 -27.5 Mhz
- 27.5 28 Mhz

Asking Price: \$15.00 each or \$50.00 for all 5

Note: Reasonable offers entertained. Shipping/Insurance extra Delivery within an hour or so from Marion, IN

If interested in any of the above items please email me at aj9c@indy.rr.com

Alinco DJ-580T Handheld Transceiver with drop-in charger and extra battery

The Alinco DJ-580T is a powerful 2 meter / 70 cm twinband HT with great sound. You get Features galore including 40 memories, three RF power levels, full duplex and dual watch, Independent VHF/UHF controls, sophisticated scanning and illuminated keypad. Transmit coverage is: 144-147.995 and 440-449.995 MHz. Receive coverage is: 130-173.99 and 400-519.995 MHz. Frequency resolution is 5, 10, 12.5, 20 and 25 kHz. High power output with the supplied EBP-20N is 2.0 watts and 1.5 watts UHF. Medium power is 1 watt and low power is 0.3 watts. High power output is 5 watts VHF and UHF. Comes with extra battery and drop-in charger.









Asking Price: \$90.00

Contact Nick – K9NQW at k9nqw@yahoo.com or grantcountyamateurradioclub@gmail.com

Diamond NR72B Dual Band Antenna

The Diamond NR72BNMO is a 2 meter and 440 MHz (70cm) mobile antenna. It is a $\frac{1}{4}$ wave On 2 meters providing 2.15 dBi gain and a $\frac{1}{2}$ wave on 440 providing 2.15 dBi gain. This Antenna can handle up to 100 watts.

- VSWR is less that 1.5:1
- Side mount only, will not work on center vehicle mounting.
- Grounding required
- Well built, looks a bit like a cellular antenna

Remarks: Not recommended for use with magnet mount.



Asking Price: \$75.00

Contact Nick – K9NQW at k9nqw@yahoo.com Or grantcountyamateurradioclub@gmail.com

Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale Kevin McNelly – KB9CRA <u>kb9cra@outlook.com</u>

Complete ICOM 440 D-Star Repeater System



Comes with the following:

- ICOM ID-RP2C Repeater Controller
- ICOM ID-RP400V UHF 440 Repeater
 - 3 CD Software Disc
 - Power cord
- Power Cable for Controller to Repeater

Asking Price: \$600.00

Contact Kevin at kb9cra@outlook.com